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FREE

Christmas in July pool party in G.H. Sunday!

The 7th annual Christmas in July pool party is set for this Sunday, July 23, from 1-7 p.m. at the Dan Kostel Recreation Center pool, 5411 Turney Rd. in Garfield Heights.

This event is for residents of Garfield Heights only with reduced admission, \$3; proof of residency required at the door; non-members who are season pass holders or ID card holders also welcome.

The event will feature live entertainment from the pool balcony by Smoothmoves, concession specials, games, swim races and a visit from Santa via surfboard!

Organizers also remind residents that the Rec Center is again participating in the Toys for Tots campaign for the United States Marine Corps. Those that wish to donate new toys can do so in containers located at the Rec Center and the Civic Center, 5407 Turney Rd., now through August 15th.

For more information visit www.garfieldhts.org or call 216-475-7272.

St. Monica Festival this weekend in Garfield Hts.

St. Monica Church, 13623 Rockside Rd. in Garfield Heights, will host its Homecoming Festival this Saturday, July 22, from 1-10 p.m. (special children's matinee, 1-4 p.m. with balloon clown, magician, free bike raffle and more) and Sunday, July 23, from 1-9 p.m.

During the festival, enjoy hot dogs, burgers, Italian sausage, pizza, elephant ears, funnel cakes, stuffed cabbage, pierogies, French waffles and much more! Play bingo all weekend, as well as Midway games of chance, raffles, instant tickets and other fun activities.

On Saturday, Mass will be held at 4 p.m. and the Armstrong Bearcats will perform "under the big top" from 7-10 p.m. All are also welcome to Mass "under the big top" at noon on Sunday. The Swingtime Big Band will then perform Sunday from 6-9 p.m.

There will be free admission to all until 5 p.m.; after 5 p.m. non-parishioners

will be charged \$5; all parishioners and children 10 and under free all day; children under 18 must be accompanied by a parent.

Independence Council news

(Editor's Note: The following information was taken from the City of Independence website.)

The following is among the legislation passed by the Independence Council at its regular meeting last Tuesday, July 11th.

- A second reading approving the tax budget for 2018.
- An ordinance authorizing the purchase and delivery of miscellaneous self-contained breathing apparatus equipment for the fire department.
- Accepting the bid of Kokosing Materials, Inc. for the purchase of asphalt paving materials through the Joint Municipal Improvement Consortium on an as-needed basis for 2017.
- Accepting the bid of Catts Construction, Inc. for

Ward 12 picnic this Sunday!

The Ward 12 Picnic in Lincoln Park is set for Sunday, July 23, from noon to 4 p.m., sponsored by Cleveland Ward 12 Councilman Tony Brancatelli and coordinated by Marcy Shannon.

The menu will include hot dogs, chicken, brats by Saucisson, side dishes, desserts and soft drinks. Attendees are asked to bring a side dish or dessert to share as admission, enough to feed 12-15 people.

There will also be a playground for kids and the city pool will be open - bring your bathing suit and towel! Residents are also encouraged to bring a lawn chair and games.

With questions or to volunteer or donate to the picnic, call Marcy Shannon at 216-341-8725.

the Great Oaks Parkway Concrete Pavement Replacement Project.

- Authorizing a change order to the city's 2017 Creek, Utility and Infrastructure Maintenance and Repairs contract with Geotech Services, Inc.
- Okaying a change order to the city's 2017 Asphalt Road Maintenance and Repairs contract with Chargin Valley Paving, Inc.
- Accepting the proposal of AECOM Technical Services, Inc. for traffic engineering services in connection with signal and lane use modifications on Rockside Road and Oak Tree Boulevard.
- Authorizing payment to the City of Independence Senior Citizens Club.

Two perish in 49th St. house fire

Two people are dead in an early Monday morning house fire in the 3400 block of East 49th Street near Dalton Avenue in the North Broadway area of Cleveland, according to Cleveland Assistant Fire Chief Greg Glauner.

Christopher Peck, 30, died just after midnight Monday at the site of the fire and his mother, Linda, 55, died in an area hospital later that day. A family dog also died in the fire.

Glauner said there were no working fire detectors in the home and the cause of the fire is still under investigation.



Two people are dead after fire ravaged this home in the North Broadway neighborhood of Cleveland early Monday morning. Photo by Michael Psenicka

M.H. Food Pantry to hold open house, book-signing event with former teachers

Maple Heights Mayor Annette Blackwell invites all residents, faith communities and businesses in the city to an Open House for the Maple Heights Food Pantry, 17100 Broadway Ave., this Friday, July 21, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Meet and greet the new Food Pantry coordinator Pequita Hansberry, tour the choice food pantry and enjoy some complementary refreshments. Details on how to register to utilize the pantry and volunteer opportunities will be available.

The Maple Heights Food Pantry operates almost completely on donations. "It would be impossible to serve the nearly 10,000 residents of Maple Heights providing three days of food every month for each family member without the generosity of our donors," states Human Services Director Linda Vopat. "That is why when the news came that George and Helena Belden and Bob Geiser

were donating the royalties from their book "The Beldens Go To...." (The strange adventures of three not quite normal people from Ohio) to the Maple Heights Food Pantry and the Windham Red Shield Food Pantry, an invitation was immediately extended to the Beldens to attend the open house and make their book available for sale and to autograph copies.

Mr. Belden spent 30 years teaching and coaching in the Maple Heights School District. Mrs. Belden taught her entire career in the Windham School District.

The Beldens indicated that writing the book was a joyful adventure and they never thought about any monetary gain. But they did think about how they could give back to the communities where they spent their teaching careers and make a positive impact.

"We can assure the Beldens that their donation and all donations go directly to assisting our

food-insecure residents and truly make a difference in their lives," Vopat said.

For those who can't make it Friday, the book is also on sale on Amazon for \$10.

'Save Our Babies' event

The 3rd annual Save Our Babies Community Awareness event will be held Saturday, July 22, at Bohemian National Hall, 4939 Broadway Ave., from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., to help combat infant mortality in the Broadway-Slavic Village neighborhood.

The event will feature a panel of experts who will discuss infant care, resource fair with vendors on hand to provide patient education and lunch will be available; safe-sleeping Baby Boxes will also be distributed.

For more info call University Settlement at 216-641-8948 or visit www.universitysettlement.net.

Community calendar

NOTE: A new N.N. policy is now in place for Community Calendar submissions. Events that are free and open to the public will be printed in this section free of charge. Any event that costs money to attend or is profitable to the organization must be submitted as a display ad (minimum \$40). In addition to the paid advertisement, the event notice will be printed one time free of charge in a section of this newspaper. Call The N.N. with questions or for further details, 216-441-2141, or email: nnews1923@aol.com. (N.N. policies are subject to change without notice.)

Wednesday, July 19

Parties In The Park

The city of Bedford hosts free Parties in the Park every Wednesday in July from 7-9 p.m. and every Wednesday in August from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in Bedford Commons. Entertainment set for July 19: Pop-Tarts. July 26: Blue Groove. Bring a blanket or lawn chair.

Thursday, July 20

Youth Dance Performance, Concert

Literacy Through the Arts will present a Dance Performance and Orff Concert (xylophone orchestra) on Thursday, July 20, at 6 p.m. at the Broadway Boys and Girls Club, 6114

Broadway Ave., Cleveland. Then, save the date for the Literacy Through the Arts Music and Arts Festival on Friday, July 28, also at 6 p.m. at the Broadway Boys and Girls Club.

Saturday, July 22

Ice Cream Social

The Cleveland Division of Fire will host an Ice Cream Social at Fire Station #13, 6835 Broadway Ave. in Slavic Village, on Saturday, July 22, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Division of EMS will also provide wellness checks; MetroHealth Hospital will help educate seniors about fall prevention; American Red Cross will offer healthy tips and first-aid training info. Fire station tours available.

Sunday, July 23

Ward 12 Picnic

The 12th Ward Picnic in Lincoln Park will be held Sunday, July 23, from noon to 4 p.m., sponsored by Cleveland Ward 12 Councilman Tony Brancatelli and coordinated by Marcy Shannon. Menu: hot dogs, chicken, brats by Saucisson, side dishes, dessert, soft drinks. Admission: donation of side dish or dessert, enough to feed 12-15 people. Kids will enjoy the playground and pool. Bring a lawn chair and/or games. Questions or more info, 216-341-8725.

G.H. Summer Concert

A Summer Concert in Garfield Hts. will be held this Sunday, July 23 at Frank J. Debelak Park on Granger Rd., from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Enjoy the music of The Billy Kaye Band. Bring a chair or blanket as seating is not provided.

Monday, July 24

Iron Ward Festival

Tony Dallas will play country music at the free Iron Ward Festival in Dan Kane Park, at E. 65 St. and Broadway Ave. in Slavic Village, on Monday, July 24, beginning at 7 p.m.

Saturday, July 29

Community Health Fair

The Garfield Human Development Corporation will sponsor a Free Community Health Fair on Saturday, July 29, from noon to 4 p.m. at The Rock Community Church, 9403 Garfield Blvd. in Garfield Hts. Free blood tests, exams, screenings, cooking classes, trivia games, food samples, recipes, giveaways, activities for kids and more. Health care providers may participate for free by calling 440-376-1808.

Sunday, July 30

Metroparks Concert

To close out the month-long celebration of the Cleveland Metroparks 100th anniversary, a free concert will be held in the Hemlock Creek Picnic area of Bedford Reservation, off Button Rd., on Sunday, July 30, as part of the Centennial Concert Series presented by KeyBank. Festivities from 4-7 p.m. include the Liverpool Lads (a Beatles tribute band), 5-7 p.m.; hands-on activities from 4-6 p.m. including tie dyeing; food trucks and more. More info at clevelandmetroparks.com or 440-473-3370.

its Luncheon Meeting on Wednesday, Aug. 16, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Garfield Hts. Library, 5409 Turney Rd. An informational seminar on the Huntington Convention Center of Cleveland and Global Center for Health Innovation will be given. Cost, \$15, includes lunch. RSVP required at www.garfieldchamber.com or 216-475-7775.

Wednesday, Aug. 16

G.H Chamber Meeting

The Garfield Hts. Chamber of Commerce will hold

G.H. Rec Center news

The swimming pool at the Dan Kostel Recreation Center, 5411 Turney Rd., Garfield Heights, is now open. Daily pool hours will be 1-7 p.m., weather permitting.

Regular office hours will be Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., but will also be open when the pool is open to purchase summer passes, Rec ID cards and register for fitness and learn to swim programs. Week-end office hours begin at 1 p.m. for pool admissions. (All office hours are subject to change.)

A Rec ID is required to participate in any Rec program. Cards cost \$10 for residents and \$35 for nonresidents. A birth certificate and two proofs of residency are required at the time of purchase or for registrations.

Registrations are still being taken for the Learn to Swim Session 2: July 24-August 3, 7:15-7:45 p.m. Registration deadline, July 21, or until class is full. Lessons are held Monday-Thursday. Class size is limited to 15 swimmers; no late registrations will be taken for safety reasons. Fee for residents, \$35; nonresidents, \$75.

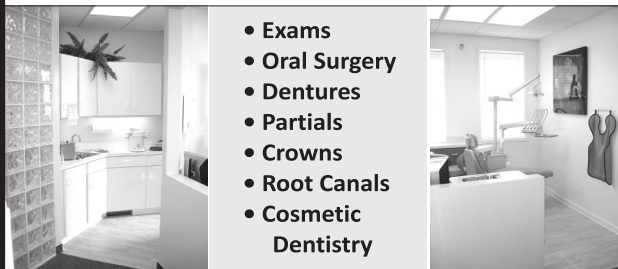
Registrations are also being taken for travel hockey and beginner in-house hockey programs. All fall and winter program registrations will begin August 1st. For more information visit the city's website at www.garfieldhts.org or call 216-475-7272.

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and **Swingtime Big Band** • Sunday, 6pm - 9pm

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V.V. police offer 'Safe Zone' to protect online buyers, sellers

Valley View Police has set up a safe transaction area in the police department parking lot, located at 6899 Hathaway Rd., for residents to safely exchange items being purchased through online classified sites, according to a release on the village's website, www.valleyview.net.

The parking lot, directly in front of the department's main doors, was chosen because it is well lit and under surveillance from cameras at the police station. During business hours, the location is easily visible to employees and police. The spots will soon be marked with visible signs, according to the release.

County issues scam alert

Cuyahoga County residents should be on alert against convincing live scam calls in which a man claiming to be a Cuyahoga County deputy threatens people with immediate arrest unless they pay off a warrant.

The Cuyahoga County Department of Consumer Affairs and Cuyahoga County Sheriff, who work together in the county's Scam Squad task force, are issuing the warning in response to multiple inquiries over the weekend from people trying to verify the calls.

"These calls use many subtle cues calculated to make people believe they are really in trouble with the law," said Sheryl Harris, director of the Cuyahoga County Department of Consumer Affairs. "The scammer asks for the victim by name. He gives fake badge and citation numbers. He invites people to call him back at a 216 number. The recording that answers that line sounds plausible – it even directs people who have a real emergency to dial 911."

In the latest version of the scam, a male scammer using a 216 number claims to be "Lt. Brown." He tells people that unless they pay a civil fine, deputies will be dispatched to arrest them. The caller directs would-be victims to go to specific stores near them to buy Green Dot cards – which is not a form of payment police accept.

The caller, who has demanded amounts ranging from \$1,500 to \$2,900, tries to stay on the phone with those targeted until they purchase the cards. Some would-be victims said they were on the phone for as long as half an hour.

When people call back the

number that appears on their caller ID, they hear a professional-sounding recording telling them they've reached the "Sheriff's Office Civil Warrants and Citations Division." The Sheriff's Department does not have a division with that name.

Consumer Affairs and the sheriff want residents to know that law enforcement agencies:

- Never call people to warn them of an impending arrest.

- Do not ask people for payment to stop an arrest.

Do not accept payment via money wires, gift cards or Green Dot cards.

Residents can report this or any similar call to the Department of Consumer Affairs at 216-443-7035 or the Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Department at 216-443-6000. Anyone who lost money to this scam should contact the sheriff.

Cuyahoga Hts. Council notes

The Village of Cuyahoga Heights Council met last Wednesday, July 12, and heard a communication from Mayor Jack Bacci and the Economic Development Committee congratulating local businesses TriMark SS Kemp, Universal Windows, and NEORS D for being named "One of Northeast Ohio's Top Workplaces" by The Plain Dealer.

"Northeast Ohio is home to some great employers and we are very pleased that your employees believe that you are one of the best," the letter stated. "Thank you for being an important member of the Village of Cuyahoga Heights business community."

Passed by council last week was a memorial resolution for Curtis P. McLaughlin, Jr., who passed away recently.

Among the other items okayed was a resolution authorizing the mayor and clerk to enter into a software licensing agreement with Software Solutions, Inc.

The Village budget estimate for fiscal year 2018 was passed, as were resolutions to accept Delta Dental's renewal rates for two years beginning September 1, 2017, and Medical Mutual of Ohio's insured renewal rate for the same period, both for full-time municipal employees.

Council also accepted the proposal of PF Sutphen Corporation for repairs to an aerial truck in the fire department in the amount of \$86,466.99.

G.H. Summer Fest Aug. 6th

Garfield Heights will celebrate its annual Summer Fest on Sunday, Aug. 6, from 1 to 6 p.m., at the Civic Center Complex, 5407 Turney Rd.

The event includes music throughout the day with a live performance by Eddie and the Edsels from 4 to 6 p.m. The festival will have something for everyone, with games for kids, food vendors, a Safety Fair featuring the Garfield Heights K-9 unit, Southeast Area Bomb Squad, SWAT demonstrations and more.

Cleveland Clinic Marymount Hospital will offer free blood pressure and other health checks. The Cleveland Clinic Mobile Stroke Unit will be parked in the Safety Fair area.

BlueLine Classics will present the original truck from the "Sanford and Son" television show from 1 to 3 p.m. Visitors can purchase tickets for Euclid Beach Rocket Car rides and air brush tattoos from 2 to 5 p.m. A free magic show is scheduled for 4 p.m., as well as many more activities and participants.

Vendors and organizations still have time to sign up and organizers say they are on the lookout for a Cotton Candy vendor. Call Pat Salemi at 216-475-1100, ext. 2425 or e-mail psalemi@garfieldhts.org.

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Blood donation opportunities

American Red Cross

The American Red Cross is facing a critical blood shortage and is issuing an emergency call for eligible blood and platelet donors of all types to give now and help save lives.

The American Red Cross, Cedar Fair theme parks and iHeartMedia/Cleveland Region are partnering to offer one free Cedar Fair park ticket to those that donate

blood at select blood drives. The ticket is valid for entry to participating U.S. Cedar Fair parks, including Cedar Point, while supplies last, and are valid through 2017 (some restrictions may apply).

An upcoming blood drive offering one free ticket per donor will be held at the Independence Community Center, 6363 Selig Dr., on Tuesday, July 25, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information on Cedar Fair tickets, visit redcrossblood.org/cedarfair.

More local donation opportunities include:

Cleveland: Wednesday, July 19, 6 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Dave McCall Union Hall, 3421 Independence Rd.

Donation appointments can be scheduled by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting redcrossblood.org or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

A blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age in most states (16 with parental consent where allowed by state law), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood.

3 Lives Blood Drive

Remington College Cleveland Campus, located at 14445 Broadway Ave., will hold a 3 Lives Blood Drive for minority blood donors on Thursday, July 20, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

While the focus of 3 Lives is to increase the number of minority donors, everyone is encouraged to donate. Donors must be 17 or older and weigh a minimum of 110 pounds.


All the blood collected will go to local hospitals and medical centers to help people in the Cleveland area. For more info visit www.3Lives.com.

Covenant Farmer's Market offered in Maple Heights

The Lutheran Church of the Covenant, 19000 Libby Rd. in Maple Heights, has begun its seventh year of hosting the Covenant Farmer's Market.

The market will be held every Saturday, from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., now through October 7th in the parking lot behind the church. Products available at the market include fresh fruits and vegetables, plants and flowers, jam, jellies, homemade bakery, prepared foods, delicious soups and ready-to-eat items, as well as craft items, books and much more.

Come for lunch (grilled sausage on a bun and a soda for \$1) and get to know your neighbors! All are welcome. For more information or with questions, call the church at 216-662-0370.



Village of Newburgh Heights
PUBLIC NOTICE

The public is invited to attend a hearing to voice their opinions or to submit written opinions to the address below regarding the proposed Alternative Tax Budget Resolution for Fiscal Year 2018. A brief overview of the proposed Resolution will be given at the hearing which will be held on July 27th, 2017 at 5:00pm in Village Hall, 3801 Harvard Avenue, Newburgh Heights, Ohio 44105. A copy of the proposed Resolution will also be available for review at Village Hall during regular village office hours. Please send written comments to Fiscal Officer Cathleen Nagorski at the address listed above. Any persons who wish to attend and require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act, please contact Village Hall at 216-641-4650 no later than 72 hours prior to the public hearing.

Cathleen Nagorski
Fiscal Officer

N.N. 7/19/17
Village Hall

Legal Advertisement

Sealed bids will be received by the Legal Advertisement Garfield Heights ("Owner"), at the office of the Finance Director, Garfield Heights City Hall, 5407 Turney Road, Garfield Heights, Ohio 44125 on the 3rd day of August, 2017 until 9:00 am current local time for the:

"Midwest Neighborhood Storm / Sanitary Sewer Reconstruction Phase 1"

and will be publicly opened and read immediately thereafter. Each bid must contain the full names of the party or parties making the same, with an affidavit as to interested parties, and in the case of a corporation not chartered in Ohio, with a proper certificate that such corporation is authorized to do business in Ohio, and shall be accompanied by a Bid Guaranty Bond for the full amount (100%) of the Bid, in favor of the "Owner" or a certified check, cashier's check, or letter of credit pursuant to Chapter 1305 of the Ohio Revised Code, in the amount of 10% of the Bid, payable to the "Owner".

It is agreed that the bid guaranty shall be for the benefit of the "Owner" pursuant to Section 153.54 of the Ohio Revised Code if the undersigned fails to execute the Contract in conformity with the Form of Contract incorporated in the contract documents and furnish Bond and insurance certificates within ten (10) days after the notification of the award of the Contract to the undersigned.

Copies of the Contract Documents are on file and may be obtained at the office of the "Owner", 5407 Turney Road, Garfield Heights, Ohio 44125, upon payment of One Hundred and Twenty-Five Dollars (\$125.00), none of which will be refunded. Checks shall be made payable to the City of Garfield Heights.

Please note that in order to be considered as a "responsive bidder" for this project, you must purchase a set of plans and bid documents, and follow all instructions provided. Bids from contractors who are not on the **Plan Holders List** will be disqualified.

A pre bid meeting will be held on July 27, 2017 at 9:00 am at the Garfield Heights City Hall, 5407 Turney Road, Garfield Heights, Ohio 44125.

The "Owner" reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informalities in the bids received, and to accept any bid which it deems most favorable.

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Wednesday Crossword Puzzle #5

Wednesday, July 19, 2017

Clues ACROSS

- Latin for thread
- Umbrella for shade
- Cause to be embarrassed
- Thronging together
- Element
- Trainee
- Bird noted for its melodious song
- ___ dashery
- Impudence
- Dearth
- 1836 siege of U.S.
- Arresting
- Cover cost of someone's entertainment

Clues DOWN

- Dud
- Meadow
- Islamic spiritual leader
- Tennis star, ___ Shriver
- ___ de Mornay, actress
- Moved suddenly with fright
- Zeus' projectile
- Mediterranean tree
- Supernatural forces
- Finales
- Princely area
- Publicity item
- Ray

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Answers will be printed next week

String of robberies in G.H. Grant to create pocket park next to Maple Hts. Historical Society

The BP Gas Station and nearby Pizza Hut in Garfield Heights were robbed last week, according to reports filed with the Garfield Heights Police Department.

On July 10th, around 10:30 p.m., police were dispatched to the BP station at 11250 Granger Rd. An employee said a man wearing a blue hooded sweatshirt tied around his face, a black ski mask and gloves came into the store and held a small handgun to her face, according to the report. He threw a black, drawstring bag over the counter towards her and said, "Put the money in the bag," while counting down from the number five. Once he got money from the register and a safe, he fled the scene in a black vehicle, according to the report.

While police were at the gas station, dispatch said another aggravated robbery had occurred at Pizza Hut at 5526 Turney Rd. 20 minutes earlier. An employee told police a man wearing a blue hooded sweatshirt tied around his face came into the store, threw a black bag onto the counter and demanded money at gunpoint. Once he emptied the contents of the register he fled in a black-colored vehicle, according to the report.

Witnesses believe the getaway vehicle was a black Mercedes; police later learned that Shaker Heights police were investigating a complaint of a stolen Mercedes in their town. Police also learned Cleveland police had numerous reports of robberies just north of Garfield Heights that matched the description of the other

robberies. Police said they were able to search the car's license plate number and found it had been taken in a car jacking.

On July 16th, around 10:30 p.m., the BP gas station was robbed a second time, but it appeared to be by a different suspect. According to the report, a man wearing a red sweatshirt with a purple mask over his face came into the store carrying a tire iron. He immediately said, "Give me the money," and when the cashier complied, he fled the store. Police could not tell from a video whether he fled on foot or in a vehicle.

Police searched the area for the suspects after each of the robberies with negative results. Surveillance video footage from each store was to be forwarded to police for further investigation. Garfield Heights Police Chief Robert Byrne said no arrests had been made as of press time.

Golden Ager's Grapevine

Grandmother's Club

The Grandmother's Club will meet Thursday, July 20, at 11:30 a.m. at Cuyahoga Heights Village Hall.

Bingo

Seniors can play Bingo on Wednesdays from 1-2:30 p.m. at Stella Walsh Recreation Center, 7345 Broadway Ave., Slavic Village.

Zumba

The Garfield Heights Senior Center, 5407 Turney Rd., offers its Zumba for Seniors program on Thursdays from 12:45-1:45 p.m. Each class costs \$3.

The Akron Cleveland Association of Realtors (ACAR) has received a \$4,200 Placemaking grant from the National Association of Realtors to install a courtyard/pocket park area next to the Maple Heights Historical Society, located at the corner of Dunham and Rockside roads.

According to the National Association of Realtors website, a Placemaking grant's goal is to transform underused or unused public spaces into vibrant gathering places accessible to everyone in a community.

A press release from the city of Maple Heights said the project will improve upon existing landscaping and add seating and lighting to the lot. ACAR will partner with the Maple Heights Historical Society, the city of Maple Heights, Turf World Co., Maple Heights City Schools and residents on this project, which will assist with labor, site preparations and ongoing maintenance.

"Realtors live, work and volunteer in their communities and take immense pride in working to improve them," said Jim Fox, president of ACAR. "Placemaking can help foster healthier, more social and economically viable communities. It creates places where people feel a strong stake in their neighborhoods and are committed to making things better. This grant will allow us to

address areas in our community that are in need of enhancement and revitalization and create a place where friends and neighbors can come together."

Placemaking grants are awarded to local and state realtor associations to help them and their members create new public spaces and destinations in a community, like turning a parking spot into a people spot (parklet) or a vacant lot into a pocket park. Realtor associations and their members are actively engaged in the community and know the neighborhoods and the properties that would benefit most from these placemaking projects.

"As the Maple Heights area becomes more attractive and welcoming, nearby properties may also increase in value," noted Fox.

Adult wellness program at University Settlement

University Settlement, located at 4800 Broadway Ave. in Cleveland, offers wellness programs designed for older adults and adults with disabilities Monday through Friday, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

The program includes breakfast, lunch and snacks, on-site nurses, wellness and educational presentations, computer lab and instruction, field trips, social events, exercise programs and more!

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Property survey set to begin in five of Cleveland's eastside suburbs

The cities of Euclid, Garfield Heights, Maple Heights, South Euclid and Warrensville Heights are ready to launch a survey of all 50,000 residential parcels in the municipalities, and the buildings associated with them, to develop an updated snapshot of the condition of these properties.

These cities have endured high rates of mortgage foreclosures, having had between 29 and 41 percent of their housing stock in foreclosure at some point since the housing crisis began nearly a decade ago. Sally Martin, housing director for South Euclid, noted, "By teaming up with other municipalities facing similar issues of vacancy and abandonment and collecting property data, we will better be able to make strategic and cost-effective decisions to support each of our communities."

The survey, conducted by the nonprofit Western Reserve Land Conservancy, will start in early July in Euclid, and then move to South Euclid, Warrensville Heights, Maple Heights and Garfield Heights. It is expected to be finished by late August. The project is being funded by the Cleveland Foundation.

Matt White, director of GIS and information services for the Land Conservancy, said surveyors will work in teams of two and gather information while on sidewalks and public rights-of-way. Information about each parcel, including whether it is vacant, the condition of any structures on it and a photo, will be recorded on a tablet computer.

Leveraging the survey results and the existing data resource of Northeast Ohio Community and Neighborhood Data for Organizing, Dynamo Metrics will create a web-based property intervention decision support tool for these communities.

"Our previous property survey work in places like Akron, Cleveland, Dayton, Lorain and Sandusky has proved the importance of having this valuable information," emphasized Jim Rokakis, Land Conservancy vice president and director of its Thriving Communities program.

"City officials and community development officers are able to use survey results to make data-driven decisions to prioritize rehabilitation and demolition of structures with available funds," he concluded.

BLOCK BEAUTIFIERS



Members of the East 63rd Street Block Club, Carol Black and Frank Greczanik, are shown recently planting flowers at the corner of E. 63rd St. and Heisley Ave. The club also sponsors two pots at E. 63rd St. and Fleet Ave. to help beautify each end of E. 63rd St.

Baseball tryouts set for Garfield Hts. Titans 15U

The Garfield Heights Titans 15U (ages 15 and under) baseball team is seeking players for the 2018 summer baseball season.

Tryouts will be held at Colt Field, 12000 Maple Leaf Dr. in Garfield Heights (behind Garfield Heights Middle School), on Saturday, July 22, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and on Monday and Tuesday, July 24 and 25, from 6 to 8 p.m. Those interested in trying out must be willing to attend two of three tryout dates. Current Titans must also attend tryouts if interested in playing in the 2018 season.

The Titans will be practicing this winter and playing in the 2017 fall season for the Buckeye League. The team is seeking dedicated, hard-working players with prior travel experience; pitching experience is a plus. The team is looking for any interested player and family who wants to have fun, grow fundamentally in the game of baseball and be a part of a family team atmosphere.

Those interested in trying out for the 15 and under team should contact head coach Darrell Copeland at 216-409-9671 or manager Lauri Nenadovich at 216-394-1319 for further information.

G.H. Kiwanis 'Empty Bowl' planners to meet August 8

The Garfield Heights Kiwanis Club is planning the April 2018 Empty Bowl fundraiser to benefit the six food pantries in Garfield Heights.

Businesses and interested persons are invited to join the Empty Bowl Committee to plan and support this event. The first meeting will be held Tuesday, Aug. 8, at 1 p.m. in the community room at the Garfield Heights Fire Station, located at the corner of Turney and McCracken rds.

Food insecurity is a real and daily challenge for some Garfield Heights residents. Because children and the elderly are especially vulnerable, the Garfield Heights Kiwanis Club has made support of the local food pantries a priority. The Empty Bowl fundraiser is the heart of its fundraising efforts.

Local businesses like Arthur Treacher's, Boulevard Convenient Store, Giant Eagle and Applebee's in Garfield Heights, and Zoup.com in Independence, have donated food and supplies for a simple dinner of soup, salad and bread. The Garfield Heights High School students also create commemorative ceramic bowls for each attendee to raise awareness of the food insecurity in our community.

For more information, send an email to garfieldheightskiwanis@gmail.com or call 216-236-5077.

Mentors sought for 8th graders

Mentors are needed to work with eighth grade students in Cleveland schools through the Tru2U program, an innovative mentoring and career awareness program that prepares eighth grade students for the transition from middle school to high school.

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Warner Road

A nonperishable Food Pantry will be open every Sunday from 12:30-1:30 p.m. at Community Friends Church, 4509 Warner Rd. in Cleveland. Each person is permitted to come once per month. A current photo ID is required. The pantry will be closed when there is a fifth Sunday of the month.

Death Notices



WANDA LOU GRIFFITH, 78, of Slavic Village, passed away July 15th.

Her husband, Clarence Griffith, passed away in 2005. She is survived by her daughter, Bobbi Marks (husband Ernie Marks passed away January 14, 2016); two sisters and one brother; grandchildren Mark Voll (Shelly) and Bonnie Lewandowski

(George); eight great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

She worked many years at Red Chimney Restaurant in Slavic Village and was well-known in the neighborhood. Private services will be held for her on Saturday, July 21st.

LOIS PESTA (nee O'Grady), 92, of Garfield Heights, passed away on July 15th.

She was the beloved wife of the late Casmer "Bud," loving mother of Richard (Ann) and the late Robert; cherished grandmother of Robert, John, Caroline and Beth.

Arrangements were handled by Ferfolia Funeral Home and a Mass of Christian Burial was held at St. Monica Catholic Church. Interment in All Saints Cemetery.

LENORE K. MULLER (nee Kraft), a life-long resident of Garfield Heights, passed away June 11th. She was 95.

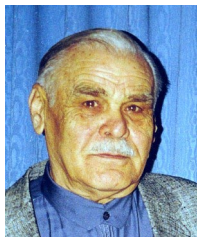
She was the loving mother of Richard "Rock," Ronald (Denise) and Charles; beloved grandmother of Renee and Erica; cherished great-grandmother of Braydon and Adleigh; dear sister of Buddy Kraft and Glen Drellishak.



Ms. Muller was a member of the Garfield Heights Junior Women's League from 1956 until the club disbanded in 2012. She was also a member of the Garfield Heights Woman's Club and was its only charter member still involved in the club after 50 years. She was active in the American Legion Ladies Auxiliary 304 for 48 years and was an Eastern Star for over 65 years; the Order of the Easter Star welcomes Master Masons and their female relatives as members.

Services were handled by Golubski Deliberato Funeral Home. Online condolences may be submitted at www.GDFH.net.

EDWARD W. JAYE, 89, of Garfield Heights, passed away on July 8th.



He was the beloved husband of the late Pauline (nee Parhamovich) for 60 years, four months and one day; loving father of Gerald Jaye (Karen) and Judy Borowy (Russell); grandpa of Nicholas and Andrew Jaye, Stephanie (Bobby) VanDyke and Gregory Borowy (Jenny); great-grandpa of

Lilly, Miley, Audrey, Claire and Addy; dear uncle to many nieces and nephews.

Arrangements were handled by Fortuna Funeral Home; services were also held at St. Andrew Eastern Orthodox Church in Maple Heights. Interment in St. Theodosius Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions be made to St. Andrew Eastern Orthodox Church General Fund, 16029 Maple Park Dr., Maple Heights, Ohio 44137.

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Community police reports



By Amber Weisbarth
(The following information was obtained from filed police reports and police dispatch logs.)

BEDFORD

Property Damage

A woman told police she parked her car in the parking lot near Broadway Ave. and Hawthorne Rd. on July 8th, while she went walking in Bedford Reservation. When she got back to her car over an hour later, she noticed someone had smashed her window and damaged her car. Witnesses at the scene said they heard the crash and had a possible description of a male suspect. The incident was turned over to Metroparks Rangers.

Weapon Involved Incident

Police were dispatched to the 480 block of Center Rd. on July 7th, around 11:20 a.m., for a report of shots fired at an apartment building. A witness said he saw two males outside around the time of the shots. Police found two shell casings outside, a casing inside an

apartment and another lodged into an apartment wall.

Officers called to the area saw two males running and pursued them. One of them was arrested in a backyard of a house on Grand Ave. and was taken to Bedford City Jail. Police learned he had a felony warrant with Athens County Sheriff's Office. The other suspect was not apprehended.

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Menacing

A mother and daughter were pumping gas at the Speedway gas station on Turney Rd. on July 9th, about 6:15 p.m., and told police a woman driving a blue vehicle pulled up to the next pump. The woman asked the mother and daughter to move their vehicle up, which was blocking the pump and the mother complied. According to the report, the driver of the blue car and the daughter began arguing, when suddenly the driver of the blue car threatened to shoot the mother and daughter. They told police the woman went into her trunk and pulled out a sil-

ver handgun. The mother and daughter got into their vehicle and left, followed by the woman in the blue car who then turned off near Granger Rd.

Theft

A 23-year-old Garfield Heights resident said she was walking on Granger Rd. in front of St. John's Church on July 13th, around 12:45 p.m., when a man walked past her, grabbed her backpack and fled southbound. He was described as a black male, about 20 years old, with short hair. Police searched the area and nearby businesses for the suspect with negative results. The victim told police the backpack contained \$1,000 in cash, two cell phones and her ID. Information forwarded to the Detective Bureau.

Traffic Offense

On July 14th, around 5:10 p.m., police were dispatched to I-480 westbound for a report of a man walking along the highway. When police arrived, they spoke to the man near SR-17 who claimed he was walking along the slow-speed shoulder because his girlfriend had let him out of her car after getting into a fight. He was unable to provide identification, but gave police a name. When asked for his social security number, the man fled on foot, running across four

lanes of traffic, causing several cars to brake so they wouldn't hit him. The man ran into the grass median of the high speed lane and fell. He was eventually handcuffed and arrested and police found his wallet and identification

The 25-year-old Garfield Heights resident had active warrants with Cleveland, Mayfield Heights and Euclid police departments. He was cited for pedestrians on the highway and providing false information to avoid citation. He was also issued a summons for obstructing official business.

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Block watch

The regular meeting of the Hyacinth Block Club will be held Wednesday, July 19, at 6 p.m. at Elizabeth Baptist Church, 6114 Francis Ave., Cleveland.

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Free summer meals will be provided to children ages 18 and under at the following locations.

Libraries

The Cuyahoga County Public Library has partnered with the Cleveland Food Bank to provide free brown bag lunches to children Monday through Friday, now through August 4, at the following locations:

Southeast (Bedford) Branch, 70 Columbus Rd., from 11:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; Garfield Heights Branch, 5409 Turney Rd., from 12-12:30 p.m.; Maple Heights Branch, 5225 Library Ln., from 12-12:30 p.m.

For more information or

a complete list of libraries participating visit www.cuyahogalibrary.com.

The Cleveland Public Library's Fleet Branch, 7224 Broadway Ave., Slavic Village, will also serve free lunches Monday through Friday, now through August 4, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

All Cleveland Public Library locations are offering free, healthy lunches to children. For more information call 216-623-6962 or visit www.cpl.org.

Maple Hts. Schools

The Maple Heights City School District is sponsoring the Summer Meal Program for children ages 18 and under and persons 19-21 who have been identi-

fied as having mental or physical disabilities and are following Individualized Education Programs (IEPs) through their current enrollment in educational programs.

The following locations will serve free breakfasts and lunches Monday through Friday, now through August 18:

Maple Heights High School, 1 Mustang Way; Barack Obama Elementary School, 5800 Glenwood Ave. Sites will be closed Tuesday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day.

Breakfast will be served from 7:30-9:30 a.m. and lunch will be served from noon to 1:30 p.m. Meals must be consumed on site. Visit myschoolmenus.com for daily menus. Contact

the Food Service Department for more information, 216-587-6100, ext. 3301.

Other free meals offered

Lutheran Church/HUMC

Lutheran Church of the Covenant and Hope United Methodist Church will offer free hot meals on the last Thursday of each month, beginning at 5 p.m., at Lutheran Church's parish hall, 19000 Libby Rd., Maple Heights. All are welcome; no restrictions. Handicapped accessible. The next meal will be served July 27. 216-662-0370.

Community Friends/Jones Road

Free bagged meals will be

handed out on Saturdays, July 22 and 29, at the following churches:

Community Friends Church, 4509 Warner Rd., Cleveland, beginning at 5:15 p.m.; Jones Road Chapel, 8000 Jones Rd., Cleveland, beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Also on Saturday, July 29, Jones Road Chapel will offer a free community lunch beginning at noon. All are welcome.

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July will also feature a free community meal on Monday, July 31, catered by local foodies Vel Scott and Saucisson. Monday, July 24, will also feature ART at the Market, with free art workshops and pierogis for purchase from the Pierogi Lady. Bring the kids and come hungry ready to shop and have fun this July!

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The Southeast Branch of the Cuyahoga County Public Library is located in Bedford at 70 Columbus Rd. To register or for more info, call 440-439-4997 or visit cuyahogalibrary.org.

• **Family Storytimes**, Wednesday at 6 p.m. and Saturdays at 10 a.m. Caregivers and children ages birth to 8 years old will share rhymes, songs, fingerplays and stories.

• **Teen Maker Boss**, Wednesday, July 26, 7 p.m., ages 10-18. Be the boss as you explore new technologies, build new gadgets and decide where to explore next! Includes Maker crafts, Minecraft activities, coding, robotics, 3D printing, video games, app creation and more!

CLEVELAND

The Cleveland Public Library's Fleet Branch, 7224 Broadway Ave., Slavic Village, will offer the following programs. To register or for more information, call 216-623-6962 or visit www.cpl.org.

• **Coffee Filter Fireworks**, Wednesday, July 19, 1 p.m. Give your summer some spark by painting watercolor fireworks!

• **Marble Magnets**, Tuesday, July 25, 1 p.m., teens. Show your creativity through designing personalized magnets.

GARFIELD HTS.

The Garfield Heights Branch of the Cuyahoga County Public Library, located at 5409 Turney Rd., has reopened and regular hours have resumed. To register or for more information call 216-475-8178.

• **Storytimes** are scheduled throughout the month of June. Call the library for days, times and age ranges.

• **Ohio Means Jobs**, every Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. An Ohio Means Jobs Employment Specialist will be available for job placement and individualized job planning services.

• **Drop In & Innovate**, Wednesday, July 19, 6:30 p.m. Having trouble get-

ting this one-hour drop-in session will provide one-on-one help to get your projects rolling and staff will answer questions you may have. Prior orientation a must.

• **Young at Heart Book Discussion**, Wednesday, July 19, 7-8 p.m. Discuss new and classic Young Adult books. Adults and teens welcome! July title: "The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian," by Sherman Alexie.

• **GED Classes**, Thursday, July 20, 9:30-11:30 a.m. The Parma City School District's Adult Education department provides free GED classes at Cuyahoga County Public Library branches. Students must attend an orientation session before beginning classes. To register for orientation, call Parma City School District's Adult Education department at 440-885-8797. Visit the Adult Education Department's website for a list of orientation locations and dates and to learn more about the GED preparation program.

• **Drop In & Download**, Thursday, July 20, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Learn how to borrow free eBooks, eAudiobooks, eMagazines, movies and music from the library's Digital Collection. Bring your device and passwords and staff will get you started.

• **Genealogy 101**, Thursday, July 20, 6:30-8:30 p.m. This program will present current internet sources and tips on how to use these sites to further family his-

tory research. This will be a hands-on workshop and participants will use computers to experience sites and resources first-hand.

• **Audio & Video Recording Orientation**, Saturday, July 22. Drop in studio orientations. Audio, 9:30-10 a.m. Video, 10-10:30 a.m.

• **Yoga & Meditation**, Saturday, July 22, 2-3:30 p.m. Increase your energy and reduce stress with Art of Living Yoga and Meditation. Manage your physical and emotional well being to become a healthier, happier you.

• **Teen Writer Bootcamp**, Monday-Wednesday, July 24-26, 1-4 p.m. Review the fundamentals of creative writing and create new work in poetry, fiction and drama. Bring an example of your best writing. Participants may be recorded and/or surveyed to capture programs effectiveness; more information at cuyahogalibrary.org.

• **RetroMania**, Tuesday, July 25, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Do you collect antique and collectible toys? Steve Presser from Big Fun will talk about the business of toys through the ages and pop culture and the effect it has on cool collectibles. Bring an item or two and share your personal memories with others.

INDEPENDENCE

The Independence Branch of the Cuyahoga County Public Library, 6361 Selig Dr., will offer the following programs. Call 216-447-0160 or visit www.cuyahogalibrary.com for more information or to register.

• **Storytimes**, for newborns and up, are scheduled now through July 28. No registration required. Children and parents will share books, rhymes, songs, fingerplays and much more.

• **Op Art: Experimenting with Perception Camp**, Monday-Friday, July 24-28, 1:30- 4:30 p.m., ages 11-18. Join professional artists from Progressive Arts Alliance for this dynamic camp that explores Op Art, or the art of optical illusions. Experiment with different art materials and creative processes while using your imagination to design and build optical illusions that blend art, science and math.

• **Board Game Day at the Library**, Thursday, Aug. 3, 2:30-4 p.m., grades 5-12. Choose from the library's collection of new and classic boardgames to play with friend. Snacks provided.

• **Surf's Up! Music of the 1960s** (two-part series), Mondays, Aug. 7 and 14, 7 p.m. Join musician and pop-music enthusiast Bill Brauning as he takes you on a tour of the instrumental and vocal surf music of the 1960s, featuring the music of the Beach Boys, Jan & Dean and many others.

MAPLE HEIGHTS

The Maple Heights Branch of the Cuyahoga County Public Library is located at 5225 Library Ln. To register for any of the

following programs, call 216-475-5000.

• **Storytimes** are scheduled throughout July. Call the library for days, times and age ranges.

• **Internet 102 - Evaluating Websites**, Monday, July 24, 6:30 p.m. Learn how to explore the rich content available on the internet. This class emphasizes downloading content and other electronic resources. Prerequisite: Internet 101.

• **Messy Mondays**, July 24, 7 p.m., newborns to eight years with a caregiver. Enjoy stories, songs and a fun activity. Share a creative playtime and leave the mess at the library.

• **Drop In & Download**, Tuesday, July 25, 5:45 p.m. Learn how to borrow free

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